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Man Pleads in Norwalk Killing

A 30-year-old man accused of fatally shooting a rival gang member was sentenced today to state prison, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Andrew Ramos (dob 2/17/84) pleaded no contest to one felony count of voluntary manslaughter in case VA128209.

Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Lori Ann Fournier immediately sentenced Ramos to six years in state prison. A restitution hearing was scheduled for Jan. 20 at the Los Angeles County Superior Court in Norwalk in Department T.

Deputy District Attorney Marie Cox of the Hardcore Gang Division said the fatal shooting occurred between rival gang members in the early morning of Jan. 2, 2013 in Norwalk.

The victim, Jimmy Deleon Hernandez, 32, confronted Ramos while he was on a porch, according to the prosecutor. The two men had an exchange and Ramos shot Hernandez several times.

Following the shooting, Hernandez was taken to the hospital for treatment but ultimately succumbed to his injuries.

The prosecutor said an eyewitness account linked Ramos to the crime and he was arrested a week later in connection with the killing.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Homicide Bureau.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the <u>Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office</u> prosecuted more than 73,000 felony defendants and 113,000 misdemeanor defendants.